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INTRODUCTION

Foreign trade data can span whole continents or focus on a single port; topics range from base bullion to man-made fibers; and the uses of the data are just as varied.

The Federal Government uses such statistics in developing merchandise trade figures for its balance-of-payments accounts; in analyzing trends in international trade; in planning and evaluating such programs as export expansion, agricultural development and assistance, and work under the Foreign Assistance and Merchant Marine Acts; and in measuring the impact of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) or the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP). The foreign trade data also help implement and analyze operations under such international agreements as the Long-Term Cotton Textile Arrangement and the U.S.-Canadian Automotive Products Trade Agreement.

In industry, finance, and research, the data help in appraising the general trade situation and outlook, in share-of-the-market and market penetration studies, in product and market development, and in measuring the impact of competition. Carriers, by sea and air, use the data to plan facilities.

Data Collection Requirements

In 1790, the Federal Government began publishing annual general statistics on U.S. foreign commerce and navigation. It has continued ever since, except for 1946 to 1963, when it published quarterly data instead. Since 1866 it has compiled the data monthly as well. The task of compiling these statistics from figures submitted by customs collectors was first given to the Treasury Department, but later to the Department of Commerce. Since 1941, the Census Bureau has been doing the job, as currently authorized by the Foreign Trade Statistics Regulation, Title 15, Part 30, *Code of Federal Regulations* (following ch. 9, title 13 of the United States Code.)

The Trade Act of 1974 requires a direct comparison between U.S. exports, U.S. imports, and the domestic output. As a result, a revised Schedule B (Statistical Classification of Commodities Exported from the United States), based on the framework

of the Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (TSUSA), was introduced, on January 1, 1978. Both schedules now contain additional detail for easier comparison with the standard industrial classification (SIC) system used in compiling production data in the Bureau's economic censuses and surveys elsewhere by the government.

Comparisons With Other Countries

The Bureau also made trade figures for the United States comparable with its trading partners. To do this, the Bureau recast the detailed classifications in Schedule B and TSUSA to match the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC), developed by the United Nations and used by most of the world trading community. So SITC-based data appears in terms of Schedule E for exports and Schedule A for imports. Presentation of basic data by classification code also lets users rearrange the figures for end use categories and to meet other needs.

Beginning with data for January 1989, the Census Bureau began using new export and import commodity schedules based on the international Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (HS). Under HS, both exported and imported data carry the same codes to six digits. These schedules have been designed to make our data more comparable to trade data produced by other countries. The HS export and import data is also recast into Standard International Trade Classification—Revision 3 (SITC—Rev. 3) for those users wishing to use SITC data. See abstract numbers 502.7 and 504.

But how are the data collected?

Data on exports to all countries, except Canada, are collected from Shipper's Exports Declarations (SEDs) filed with Customs officials and subsequently transmitted to the Census Bureau. Qualified exporters, forwarders, or carriers submit SED data by automated means directly to the Census Bureau.

Data on exports to Canada are compiled from Canadian import statistics under a 1987 Memorandum of Understanding signed by the Census Bureau, U.S. Customs Service, Canadian Customs, and Statistics Canada. Similarly, under this Memorandum of Understanding, Canada is substituting U.S. import statistics for Canadian exports to the United States. (See abstract number 12 in the General and Reference chapter for a comparison of standard industrial codes for the United States and Canada.)

Data on imports are collected primarily from automated data submitted through the Customs Automated Commercial System and from various import entry forms filed with Customs officials. Data include the dollar value and net quantity (in metric units) of commodities exported and imported by all methods of transportation combined, as well as the value and shipping weight of shipments by vessel and by air. Separate statistics cover trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions.

Scope of Export and Import Data

In general, export statistics record the physical movement of merchandise from the United States and Puerto Rico to foreign countries, whether a commercial transaction is involved or not. They exclude shipments to, between, or from any outlying areas of the United States (U.S. trade with its outlying areas is reported separately); certain shipments made by the Federal Government; monetary gold and issued coins; merchandise in transit between countries; fuel for use on departing vessels, planes, or other carriers (also reported separately). The statistics, however, do include commodities for foreign aid, military sales, and agricultural assistance; intracompany shipments; foreign purchases; and U.S. vessels sold abroad. As of January 1989, the data include exports of electricity.

Dollar values reported usually refer to the free-alongside-ship (f.a.s.) values at the U.S. port of export. Data, by commodity classification, cover net quantity, destination (country and world area), U.S. customs district of export, method of transportation, and month of export.

The import statistics reflect the physical movement of both government and other merchandise into U.S. customs territory (including Puerto Rico), whether or not a commercial transaction is involved. They exclude shipments in transit, or from or between Puerto Rico and/or any U.S. outlying area; monetary gold and issued coins; and American merchandise brought back to this country by members of the U.S. Armed Forces. As of January 1989, the data include imports of electricity.

The Bureau reports value in two ways: by c.i.f. (cost, insurance, and freight) and dutiable (customs) value. Data, by commodity classification, cover net quantity, dutiable status and rate, country and area of origin, customs district of entry, method of transportation, and month of import.

Seasonal Adjustment

The Census Bureau reintroduced seasonal adjustment of monthly trade data with the release of the April 1988 trade statistics (dated June 16). Before 1986, the Census Bureau seasonally adjusted the

Figure 19. TABLE FROM SCHEDULE K, CLASSIFICATION OF FOREIGN PORTS BY GEOGRAPHIC TRADE AREA AND COUNTRY, 1991

Alphabetic Index					
Code	Name of port	Country	Code	Name of port	Country
40901	Aabenraa	Denmark	52000	Ajman	Arab Em
40311	Aagotnes	Norway	75300	Akassa	Nigeria
40903	Aalborg	Denmark	58800	Akita Ko	Japan
40301	Aalesund	Norway	40037	Akranes	Iceland
40300	Aalvik	Norway	40000	Akureyri	Iceland
40300	Aandalsnes	Norway	51105	Al Aqabah	Jordan
40302	Aardal	Norway	50505	Al Bakir	Iraq
40302	Aardalstangen	Norway	50525	Al Basrah	Iraq
40906	Aarhus	Denmark	50500	Al Faw	Iraq
23640	Abaco-Snake Cay	Bahamas	51323	Al Fuhayhil	Kuwait
23700			52111	Al Hudayf	Kuwait

Figure 20. TABLE FROM SUMMARY OF U.S. MERCHANDISE TRADE, OCTOBER 1993, SERIES FT 900 SUPPLEMENT

**Exhibit 2. U.S. Exports of Merchandise by State, where the Exporter is Located, Not Seasonally Adjusted:
October 1993**

In millions of dollars. Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) shipments are included in the U.S. total, and distributed among individual states and territories. Separate FTZ total line is for reference only. Details may not equal totals due to rounding and other statistical procedures. (-) Represents zero. (X) not applicable. (Z) Less than one-half unit of measurement shown.

Item	SIC-Based Product Code Groupings.						Total	
	Manufactured Commodities			Non-Manufactured Commodities (1)				
	October	Cumulative to date.		October	Cumulative to date.		October	Cumulative, Jan to date
		Total	Percent		Total	Percent		
U S Total	37,667.0	349,038.1	100.0	3,580.7	33,975.9	100.0	41,247.7	383,014.1
(Foreign trade zone)	338.7	3,088.9	0.9	5.5	41.5	0.1	344.2	3,130.4
Alabama	173.8	1,738.8	0.5	29.6	283.0	0.8	203.4	2,021.8
Alaska	26.8	322.2	0.1	31.6	336.1	1.0	58.4	658.3
Arizona	338.2	3,247.2	0.9	21.2	228.9	0.7	359.4	3,476.1
Arkansas	90.9	818.0	0.2	4.1	37.7	0.1	95.0	855.7
California	1,104.5	47,201.1	13.6	430.5	3,676.2	10.8	1,535.0	50,977.1

Figure 21. TABLE FROM U.S. TRADE WITH PUERTO RICO AND U.S. POSSESSIONS, FT 895

Table 1. SHIPMENTS FROM THE UNITED STATES TO PUERTO RICO BY SCHEDULE B COMMODITY AND METHOD OF TRANSPORTATION

[SEE THE EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS FOR INFORMATION ON COVERAGE, DEFINITION OF F.A.S. EXPORT VALUE, AND SOURCES OF ERROR IN THE DATA]

SCHEDULE B NUMBER	COMMODITY DESCRIPTION	ALL METHODS OF TRANSPORTATION		VESSEL		AIR	
		NET QUANTITY	VALUE (THOUSANDS)	SHIPPING WEIGHT (1000 KG)	VALUE (THOUSANDS)	SHIPPING WEIGHT (1000 KG)	VALUE (THOUSANDS)
	U.S. TO PUERTO RICO TOTAL	5130 206 431	10 792 113	4 921 295	8 402 249	139 001	2 054 182
0101110000	HORSES LIVE PUREBRED BREEDING	18	1 798	0	-	8	1 798
0101190000	HORSES LIVE EXCEPT PUREBRED BREEDING ANIMALS	337	6 671	7	-	45	6 626
0101200000	ASSES MULES AND HINNIES LIVE	206	1 575	0	-	5	1 575
0102100020	BOVINE ANIMALS LIVE PUREBRED BREEDING DAIRY FEMALE	340	476	206	476	0	-
0102100050	BOVINE ANIMALS LIVE PUREBRED BREEDING EXCEPT DAIRY FEMALE	194	111	71	111	0	-
0102900000	BOVINE ANIMALS LIVE NESOI	3 248	1 306	809	1 306	0	-
0103100000	SWINE LIVE PUREBRED BREEDING ANIMALS	17	-	0	-	2	-
0105110010	CHICKENS LIVE NOT OV 185G BREEDING STOCK EGG-TYPE	18 350	50	14	-	0	-

monthly data. However, "carry-over" (that portion of the monthly data actually occurring in previous months) prevented an accurate measure of seasonality in 1986 and later.

Both the U.S. Customs Service (which collects the trade documentation) and the Census Bureau (which tabulates the data) took steps to reduce the carry-over from its high of over 50 percent to a relatively constant 2-3 percent, enabling the Census Bureau to return to seasonal adjustment of the monthly data. (In addition, reports continue to provide data that have not been seasonally adjusted.)

Exporters

Statistics profiling the U.S. exporter population are available through a project known as the Exporter Data Base (EDB).

These statistics come from a research project conducted by the Census Bureau with the International Trade Administration of the U.S. Department of Commerce. The project created a data base on the number of exporters—in cities, States, and the Nation—and their economic characteristics.

The EDB project was undertaken to measure small business participation in exporting, assist the planning of export promotion programs, determine the importance of exports to State and local economies, and improve the accuracy of U.S. international trade statistics.

The EDB links commodity data from millions of U.S. export declarations to the Census Bureau's various data bases presenting the business characteristics of U.S. firms and establishments. Initial efforts were directed at developing detailed benchmark statistics on U.S. exporters from 1987, an economic censuses year.

For more information about the EDB, contact Michael Risha, Foreign Trade Division (301-457-3629).

Data Products

The titles of data products appear under a number of headings, for example, "Reference Products," "Classifications," and "Regulations." These headings cover items without statistical tables except, of course, for illustration—the *Guide to Foreign Trade Statistics*, for instance. (Contact Foreign Trade Division for information about the most recent Guide.)

Products under the other headings do include statistics. They include "Trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. Possessions" as well as "Transportation," which covers waterborne and airborne statistics and vessel entrances and clearances. The remaining headings, including "Summary Reports," cover products with both import and export data.

The export statistics are first compiled to reflect *Schedule B, Statistical Classifications of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported From the United States*. Import data are first compiled to reflect *Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (HTSUSA)*.

These data appear in monthly published reports for commodity classifications derived from the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC) Revision 3. In addition, the Bureau produces data files of classifications such as the *Harmonized Commodity Master Tape*.

Monthly and annual data in different arrangements and greater detail than in the reports appear on microfiche or computer tape, or in excerpts from these tabulations. Compact discs can offer still greater detail. Also, the Bureau, at the users' request and expense, makes special tabulations of foreign trade data on tape, paper, microfiche, and—most recently—diskettes (that is, "floppy disks") for personal computers.

In addition to Census Bureau sources, users may refer to the National Trade Data Bank. It provides monthly data selected from a number of Federal agencies. Intended to promote overseas trade by the United States, the program includes foreign trade and international economics. These data on CD-ROM (compact disk—read only memory) or on computer tape are available from the National Technical Information Service. For CD-ROM's, call 703-487-4650 for single copies, 703-487-4630 for annual subscriptions.

Data users may refer to some foreign trade materials at the Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (ITA) offices, noted in appendix B of this Catalog. In addition, the United States International Trade Commission issues the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (1990) Annotated for Statistical Reporting Purposes (HTS)* available in print from the Government Printing Office and on diskette from the National Technical Information Service.

For recent references to foreign trade data products, see abstract number 500 in the section entitled Data Products Issued October-December 1994. Listings of subsequent releases appear in the *Monthly Product Announcement* and the *Daily List* (see abstract numbers 44 and 15.5, respectively.).

Further information is available from the Chief, Foreign Trade Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233. Or call 301-457-3041.

ORDERING INFORMATION

The Foreign Trade Division sells computer tapes and some printed materials, including reports issued in press releases

and hard copy from tapes. Unless otherwise stated in an abstract in this chapter, send a check or money order payable to Commerce-Census to the Foreign Trade Division at the above address.

Tapes are available at 1600 or 6250 bpi and in either EBCDIC or ASCII. The prices of products may change. Persons ordering products to be sent outside the United States should add 25 percent for handling. For additional information about tape specifications, contact Foreign Trade Division at 301-457-2214.

Customer Services does offer some products, as noted in this chapter, including the most detailed export and import data available. They are on CD-ROM (compact disk—read only memory). See abstract numbers 507.5 and 523.5.

Census CD-ROM's are in the ISO logical format. To work with it, you must install Microsoft CD-ROM Extensions Version 2.0 or higher. The Census Bureau's software is already on the disc. However, for greater flexibility you may use dBase III, dBase IV, or compatible software.

Foreign trade data from other Federal agencies appear on CD-ROM's available from the National Trade Data Bank. For information on this product, see the discussion under "Data Products," above.

NOTE—The number above the abstracts makes the indexes easier to use. It should not be used for ordering products.

ABBREVIATIONS IN THIS CHAPTER

c.i.f. - cost, insurance, and freight
f.a.s. - free alongside ship
HS - Harmonized system
HTSUSA - Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated
n.e.c. - not elsewhere classified
n.s.p.f. - not specially provided for
SITC - Standard International Code Classification

SYMBOLS IN THIS CHAPTER

EA - export annual tabulation
EM - export monthly tabulation
FT - foreign trade publication
IA - import annual tabulation
IM - import monthly tabulation
SA - shipping annual tabulation, replaced by TA
SM - shipping monthly tabulation, replaced by TM
TA - transportation annual tabulation, replaces SA
TM - transportation monthly tabulation, replaces SM

DATA PRODUCTS ISSUED OCTOBER- DECEMBER 1994

The following data products were issued during the last quarter of 1994. Abstracts for some may appear in this chapter; generally, though, they were issued too late for an abstract to be prepared. **Unless noted otherwise, the data products listed below in abstract 500 may still be available from the Government Printing Office (GPO). Orders should include the GPO Stock Number. However, availability is subject to change and reports may be superseded. For the latest ordering information, contact Foreign Trade Division, Bureau of the Census (301-457-3041 or 457-2227).**

This list excludes periodicals issued more often than once a year. Any such relevant periodicals are described later in this chapter and listed in appendix A.

Reports carried in full or in part on CENDATA, our online information service, are identified by the word "CENDATA" in brackets at the end of the report listing.

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Current Foreign Trade Reports

FT 247-93-A. U.S. Imports for Consumption—HTSUSA Commodity by Country of Origin. (Annual 1993.) 708 pp. \$40. GPO S/N 003-024-08763-4.


FT 447. U.S. Exports—Harmonized Schedule B Commodity by Country: Annual 1993. 972 pp. \$30. Available from Customer Services.

FT 947/93-A. U.S. Exports and Imports by Harmonized Commodity, Six-digit Harmonized Commodity by Country. (Annual 1993.) 618 pp. \$30. Available from Customer Services.

Changes in Schedule B—Statistical Classification of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported from the United States: 1990 (Public Bulletin B-5). Changes effective January 1, 1995. 225 pp. Issued free to subscribers of the main volume. Available from Customer Services.

© CD-SCHB-95. U.S. Exports Commodity Classification. \$20. Available from Customer Services.

REFERENCE PRODUCTS

(500.7) 

Correct Way to Fill Out the Shipper's Export Declarations

Subject content—Shows how and when to fill out forms reporting exports.

NOTE—For a sample copy of, and assistance on, the *Shipper's Export Declaration*, call Hal Blyweiss, Foreign Trade Division 301-457-2238. The forms in the report include items (7525-V, 7525-V Alternate, Intermodal, and 7513) available from the Government Printing Office.

10 pp. 1991. Single copies free.
Available from Foreign Trade Division.
Not available on microfiche.

Foreign Trade Statistics Regulations

See abstract number 582.

Monthly Vessel Clearances (TM-785)

See abstract number 553.7 for this listing.

Monthly Vessel Entrances (TM-385)

See abstract number 553.4 for this listing.

Schedule B—Statistical Classification of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported from the United States: 1990 Edition

See abstract number 562.5.

Shipper's Export Declaration

See note in abstract number 500.7.


(501.4)

The Shipper's Export Declaration: Why, What, Where, and When (VIDEOTAPE)

Subject content—Provides on videotape step-by-step instruction on how to fill out the declaration. This 70-minute presentation is designed so that learners can go at their own pace.

NOTE—Also available in Spanish.

One videotape on 1/2-inch VHS format.
Available for purchase for \$30, with check payable to Commerce-Census. Send to Customer Services, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C.

(501.6) 

U.S. Exports Commodity Classification CD-ROM User's Guide

Subject content—Concise describes the purpose, content, software, and searching techniques for the *U.S. Exports Commodity Classification CD-ROM* (abstract number

507.5). It was designed for people requiring a commodity code. For example, a shipper may need to classify a commodity. Or a market researcher may need to locate, by code, trading information from some data file or report.

The Guide spells out simply how to get started on the CD-ROM and illustrates the use of options, commands, function keys, and the like needed to locate the codes. Neither this guide nor the CD-ROM it describes contains statistics.

21 pp. 1992. Single copies free.


Contact Customer Services for the latest ordering information. Not available on microfiche.

Vessel Entrances and Clearances (TA-987)

See abstract number 554.3 for this listing.

SPECIAL CONVERSION TAPES


A description of the special geographic and commodity conversion tapes follows.

New! (502.6) 

Geographic Concordance Master Tape: Annual 1993

Subject content—Presents, in alphabetical order, descriptions for countries, States, customs districts, and ports. This series lists these locations and their codes; it does not furnish statistics.

Annual computer tape for \$200 at 1600 or 6250 bpi. Released 1994. Send check or money order payable to Commerce-Census to Foreign Trade Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233.

New! (502.7) 

Harmonized Commodity Concordance Master Tape: Annual 1993

Subject content—Presents a single file of commodity descriptions, classifications and cross-classifications needed to implement the conversion to the HS, that is, the Harmonized System, beginning with January 1989 statistical data. The file consists of eight separate sections, each identified by a one-digit code located in the first position of the data record. All data records have a fixed length of 248 characters each. The entire file is in the sequence by the indicated code and the commodity number. This series does not furnish statistics.

Annual data are available on computer tape at 1600 or 6250 bpi for \$200. Released 1994. Send check or money order payable to Commerce-Census to Foreign Trade Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233.

SUMMARY REPORTS

These summary reports present both export and import data.

Trade and Employment (TM)

See abstract number 91 in the General and Reference chapter.

New! (504)

U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services (FT 900)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered—United States and world areas.

Subject content—Presents, in a series of press releases (entitled *U.S. Department of Commerce News*), U.S. (domestic and foreign) export data on a free-alongside-ship (f.a.s.) value basis and provides general import data on Customs value bases. Total exports, imports, and goods trade balances appear for each month of the current and preceding calendar years. The report includes exports, general imports (including data by country) and limited data on imports for consumption. **It also includes monthly Bureau of Economic Analysis estimates of trade in services.**

Separate tables provide data for U.S. exports of domestic and foreign merchandise and for U.S. general imports of merchandise, by Standard International Trade Classification—Revision 3 (SITC—Rev. 3). Unadjusted data are presented in all tables. Included are summaries of U.S. general imports of petroleum (and selected petroleum products) into the U.S. Customs area and the U.S. Virgin Islands from foreign countries by month for the current year and the preceding year.

The December issue includes annual totals and trade balances. An *Annual Revision* is published each year, generally in the spring, to report any revisions that have been made in figures for the previous year.

A subscription also includes the monthly *Highlights of U. S. Export and Import Merchandise Trade*, FT 900 Supplement, which presents data for SITC—Rev. 3 commodity sections and standard industrial classification (SIC)-based product codes. It also provides U.S. exports by State; crude petroleum imports by country; country and world area; and trade balance using general imports cost, insurance, and freight (c.i.f.) value.

The *Advance Report on U.S. Merchandise Trade* (FT 900-ADV) and supplementary excerpts are available only online, through CENDATA and the Census/BEA Electronic Forum (see page 2). CENDATA also offers *Origin of Movement of U.S. Exports by State, by SIC Group*.

NOTE—The FT 900 series was cited in earlier Catalogs as *U.S. Merchandise Trade*. The title was changed with the January 1994 issue.

Pages vary. Monthly. \$15 (foreign orders, \$19) per issue.

Annual subscription \$150 (foreign orders, \$188) for monthlies plus FT 900 Supplements.

Annual Revision for 1993 (not part of subscription). 51 pp. \$20 (foreign orders, \$25).

Single copies and annual subscriptions available from Foreign Trade Division. Send check or money order payable to Commerce-Census. Not available on microfiche.

The Supplements and advance reports (FT 900-ADV) also are available via the Census-BEA Electronic Forum. They are available in full or in part online and via fax (through CENDATA and FastFax).

Highlights of U.S. Export and Import Merchandise Trade (FT 900 Supplement)

See abstract 504.

New! (504.5)

U.S. Merchandise Trade: Selected Highlights (FT 920)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered—U.S. Customs districts, world areas, and countries of destination or origin.

Subject content—Presents data on domestic and foreign exports, general imports, and imports for consumption. The report also includes data on U.S. Customs districts and method of transportation, and world area by country of origin and country of destination.

36 pp. Monthly, \$25 (foreign orders, \$31.25) per issue. Annual subscription price is \$120 (foreign orders, \$150). Single copies and annual subscriptions available from Foreign Trade Division. Send check or money order payable to Commerce-Census. Not available on microfiche.

New! (504.51)

U.S. Merchandise Trade: Exports, General Imports, and Imports for Consumption: 1994 Index (Standard International Trade Classification, Revision 3, Commodity by Country (FT 925/94-Index))

Subject content—Specifies, in an alphabetical list of brief commodity descriptions, a 4-digit code for each commodity.

This code reflects the Standard International Trade Classification, Revision 3, "Commodity by Country." (Nevertheless, the names of countries do not appear in this index.)

This report contains no statistics.

59 pp. 1994. \$3.

Contact Customer Services for the latest ordering information. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

New! (504.6)

U.S. Merchandise Trade: Exports, General Imports, and Imports for Consumption (Standard International Trade Classification, Revision 3, Commodity by Country) (FT 925)

Frequency of issue—Monthly and annual.

Geographic areas covered—United States and countries of origin.

Subject content—Provides statistical information about the physical movement of merchandise between the United States and foreign countries.

Each of three tables in the monthly issues show data for the current month and the cumulative year-to-date.

The first of the three tables shows the value of exports, general imports, and imports for consumption by SITC (standard international trade classification) code by commodity groupings. The groupings are given by exports, free-alongside-ship (f.a.s.) value basis; general imports by customs value basis and c.i.f. (cost, insurance, freight) value basis; and imports for consumption by customs value basis.

The two other tables show value of exports and general imports by SITC commodity groupings by country of origin (where the merchandise was grown, mined, or manufactured) and value of re-exports by SITC commodity grouping by country of origin.

The reports describe the foreign trade statistics program and procedures. For example, they note that statisticians provide overall, rather than specific, estimates for imports worth less than \$1,001 and for exports less than \$1,501.

The reports also discuss the types of transactions that are excluded from the statistics, such as monetary gold and silver and the shipments of furniture.

In addition to the monthly issues, the FT 925 series includes an annual summary sold separately.

448-540 pp. Monthly, \$26 (foreign orders, \$32.50) per issue; annual, 1993 edition, \$30 (foreign, \$37.50). Individual issues: For monthlies, contact Foreign Trade Division for latest ordering information. For annual summary, order from Customer Services.

Annual subscription price is \$127 (foreign orders, \$158.75) for monthlies only. Cite List ID code FT925 when placing subscription with GPO. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

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U.S. Merchandise Trade: Exports and General Imports by Country (Standard International Trade Classification, Revision 3, Country by Commodity): Annual 1992 (FT 927-92-A)

Data time span—1992.

Geographic areas covered—Countries of origin and destination.

Subject content—Presents data on value of exports (f.a.s.) and general imports (Customs value), by country, cross classified by SITC commodity group. Tables showing the means of transportation present the same categories, not only for value but also for shipping weight. Moreover, for each category, these tables show data by vessel, by air, and by all transportation methods combined.

764 pp. 1993. \$40 (foreign orders, \$50).

Contact Foreign Trade Division for the latest ordering information. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

(504.8)  

U.S. Exports and Imports by Harmonized Commodity, Six-digit Harmonized Commodity by Country: Annual 1992 (FT 947-92-A)

Data time span—1992.

Geographic areas covered—Countries of origin and destination.

Subject content—Presents data on value by Harmonized System commodity groups, cross classified by country. Tables show value of exports (f.a.s.), general imports (Customs value and c.i.f.), imports for consumption (Customs), and reexports (f.a.s.). Reexports are goods exported from one country to another, but which did not originate in the exporting country.

616 pp. 1993. \$37 (foreign orders, \$46.25).

Contact Foreign Trade Division for the latest ordering information. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

New! (506)  

U.S. Commodity Exports and Imports as Related to Output, 1991 and 1990 (ES2-22)

Data time span—1990 and 1991, with some comparative data for earlier years.

Geographic areas covered—United States.

Subject content—Presents statistical information on the relation between U.S. domestic output and U.S. commodity exports and imports in terms of a commodity classification based on the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. Such a classification facilitates the comparison of exports

and imports with a large body of data on the domestic economy—for example, employment, payrolls, inventories, production, shipments, orders, capital assets, and size and location of producing units, all organized much like the SIC.

The report shows quantity and value of exports, imports, and value of import duty at the most detailed commodity classification level comparable to output for agriculture, forestry, fishery and mineral commodities, and at the four- and five-digit commodity classification levels comparable to output for manufactured commodities. Output data are derived from published government sources of the U.S. Department of Commerce (Bureau of the Census and National Marine Fisheries Service) and the U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Interior.

Significant trends in exports and imports related to output are shown for 1991 compared with 1990 and with the average for 1986-1990 for leading four-digit SIC-based commodity groups. Exports, imports, and calculated import duty are also provided at the commodity division level for 1958 through 1991.

NOTE—The report incorrectly carries the series designations “OE” and “OEI,” instead of “ES2.”

112 pp. 1994. \$5.

Available from Customer Services. Also available on microfiche.

New! (506.1)  

U.S. Commodity Exports and Imports as Related to Output, 1990 and 1989 (ES2-21)

Geographic areas covered and subject content—Similar to ES2-22, abstract number 506, but for 1990 and 1989.

112 pp. 1993. \$6.

Available from Customer Services. Also available on microfiche.

EXPORTS

Shippers' declarations are submitted by exporters or their agents to the exporting carrier and by the carrier, in turn, to U.S. Customs Service Officers at U.S. ports. (In the case of mail shipments, the declarations are presented to the postmasters.) Customs Officers at each port transmit the documents to the Bureau of the Census as they come in. In addition to processing these forms, the Bureau compiles statistics directly from monthly summary export declarations or computer tapes submitted by qualified exporters.

For characteristics for exporting firms and establishments, see the heading “Exporters” in the introduction to this chapter.

New! (507.5) 

U.S. Exports of Merchandise on CD-ROM (CDEX)

Frequency of issue—Monthly and cumulative year-to-date.

Geographic areas covered—United States and U.S. Customs districts of exportation.

Subject content—Provides on a compact disc export data in the most extensive detail available. It covers U.S. exports of domestic and foreign merchandise by Harmonized Schedule B Commodity Code. It contains quantity, value, and shipping weight by country of destination, customs district of exportation, and method of transportation.

In addition, smaller files provide totals for commodity, country of destination, and U.S. Customs districts of exportation.

The universe of this file is the reported U.S. export statistics of government and nongovernment shipments of domestic and foreign merchandise (including non-monetary gold and silver) to foreign countries from the U.S. Customs districts (the 50 states, District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico), U.S. Foreign Trade Zones, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

It includes concordances that link the Harmonized System with Standard International (Revision 3), end-use, and Standard Industrial Classification codes. Also, in addition to Harmonized System descriptions, it also lists country codes and names for countries and customs districts.

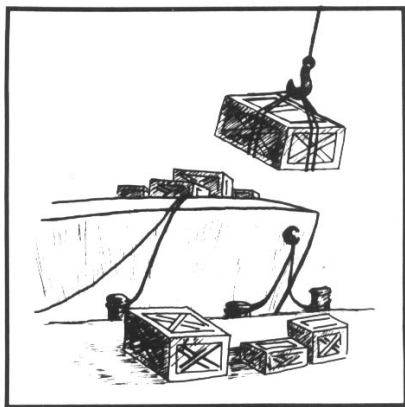
Reference materials—U.S. Exports of Merchandise on CD-ROM Technical Documentation (CD-ROM-5) contains descriptive information about the file and a record layout. One free copy accompanies each file order. When ordered separately, it is available for \$10 from Customer Services.

NOTE—See the “Ordering Information” section in the Introduction to this chapter for technical information including software sources for this file. Related printed reports: *U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services* (FT 900); FT 900 Supplement; and *U.S. Merchandise Trade: Exports, General Imports, and Imports for Consumption (SITC) Commodity by Country* (FT 925). (For import data on compact disc, see abstract number 523.5.)

These data files are available from Customer Services (301-457-4100) on 4 3/4 inch discs (CD-ROM's) for the year, the quarter, and the month.

Annual subscriptions (cite CDEX/(Yr.)/AN, when ordering) with 12 monthly discs and the disc for the U.S. Export History and Historical Summary (for 1989 through 1993, at the time of this writing) are available for \$1,200 (foreign orders, \$1,500) per calendar year. A subscription is also available by quarter (CDEX/(Yr.)/Q) issued

March, June, September, and December, plus the U.S. Export History at \$500 per year (foreign orders, \$625). The following are available at \$150 each (foreign orders, \$187.50): monthly discs (CDEX/(Yr.)/Mo.) and the U.S. Export History (CDEX/(Yr.)/ASM). The files may be used with a classification disc (SCHB-94) described in abstract number 565.



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U.S. Exports—Harmonized Schedule B Commodity by Country: Annual 1992 (FT 447-92-A)

Data time span—1992.

Geographic areas covered—United States and countries of destination.

Subject content—Presents data, by the 10-digit Harmonized Schedule B Commodity Code, on the net quantity and value of individual commodities exported during the year, by country of destination. Export data are initially collected and compiled in accordance with commodity classifications in Schedule B, *Statistical Classification of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported from the United States*. A discussion on the estimating procedures and their effect on the reliability of the data is provided.

948 pp. 1993. \$20 (foreign orders, \$25).

Contact Foreign Trade Division for the latest ordering information. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

New! (514.5)

U.S. Exports of Domestic and Foreign Merchandise (EM-545)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered—United States, U.S. Customs districts of exportation, and countries of destination.

Subject content—Presents current month and cumulative data on the net quantity, value, and shipping weight for 10-digit Schedule B by number, by country of destination, by Customs district of export, and by method of transportation. Tables show domestic and foreign merchandise separately. Also, tables include annual data on bunker fuels.

Computer printout subscriptions are available on 1 to 10 Harmonized Schedule B commodity numbers for domestic and foreign merchandise for \$125 per year. This cost does not change if fewer than 10 numbers are requested. (Subscriptions begin the next available month after payment is received and continue for 12 months. Prior data for each month would cost \$25 per unit of 1 to 10 commodity numbers.)

Data are also available monthly on computer tape at 1600 or 6250 bpi for a yearly subscription charge of \$2,400. Annual summaries are available for \$400 at 1600 bpi or \$200 at 6250 bpi. Contact Foreign Trade Division for ordering information.

U.S. Exports Commodity Classification International Harmonized System (HS-Based Schedule B) (CD-SCHB-)

See abstract number 565.

New! (521.5)

U.S. Exports of Domestic and Foreign Merchandise by State/Region/Port (EQ-912, EA-917/EQ-932, EA-937/EQ-952, EA-957)

Frequency of issue—Quarterly and annual.

Geographic areas covered—Regions, States, ports of export origin, and countries of destination.

Subject content—Presents data in three series as follows:

I. Export Value and Weight by State of Origin by 2-digit SIC and Country of Destination (EQ-912; EA-917): Provides export value data by State where the export journey began, by means of transportation for 2-digit Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) commodity groupings, by country of destination—showing merchandise value and weight for vessel and value percentages for containerized cargo, and value for shipments by all means of transportation.

II. Export Value and Weight by Region of Origin by 4-digit SITC by Port of Export and Country of Destination by Mode of Transportation (EQ-932; EA-937): Provides export data by region where the export journey began for data for 4-digit Standard International Trade Classification (SITC) commodity subgroup, by port of export and country of destination.

III. Total Export Value and Weight by State of Origin, Port of Export and Country of Destination by Mode of

Transportation (EQ-952; EA-957): Provides total export value by State where the export journey began, by port of export and country of destination. It also shows dollar value and weight for vessel, including percent containerized; air shipments; and value of shipments by all means of transportation.

NOTE—The following report is available online through CENDATA, the Census Bureau's online system: *Origin of Exports of Manufactured Products*. Another file, "U.S. Exports of Merchandise by State," is also available through CENDATA (see page 2). *U.S. Exports by State* (Country and Time Series), a quarterly, is available by fax (via FastFax, see page 2).

Annual subscriptions to these data series on computer tape are available as follows: \$800 for all four quarters of any of three series or \$200 for the annual summary tape for any of the three series. Contact Foreign Trade Division for ordering information.

EXPORT AND IMPORT DATA REVISIONS

The Foreign Trade Division issues annual reports showing revisions in the data for exports and imports. Those who would like to know about any corrections or other changes in the data for specific export and import products should contact Foreign Trade Division.

IMPORTS

The Foreign Trade Division compiles U.S. import statistics from copies of Foreign Trade Zone documents, the import entry and warehouse withdrawal forms which the law requires importers to file with Customs officials. Customs officials verify country of origin, net quantity, value, and commodity classification on entries. These entries are used for Customs' appraisals. The copies are subject to statistical correction. Some statistical data are transmitted directly onto computer tape.

New! (523.5)

U.S. Imports of Merchandise on CD-ROM (CDIM)

Frequency of issue—Monthly and year-to-date.

Geographic areas covered—United States, U.S. Customs districts of entry and unloading (that is, unloading), and countries of origin.

Subject content—Provides import data on a compact disc in the most extensive detail available. The file includes general imports and imports for consumption. Data include net quantity, value data (all methods of

transportation combined), value and shipping weight data for vessel or air shipments in terms of commodity by country of origin, by customs district of entry, by customs district of unloading, and by rate provision.

Smaller files provide totals for each commodity, totals for each country of origin, and totals for each customs district of entry and customs district of unloading.

The universe of this file is the reported U.S. import statistics, government and non-government shipments of merchandise from foreign countries into the U.S. Customs districts (the 50 states, District of Columbia and Puerto Rico), U.S. Foreign Trade Zones, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The product includes concordances that link the Harmonized System with Standard International (Revision 3), end-use, and Standard Industrial Classification codes. Also, in addition to Harmonized System descriptions, it also lists country codes and names for countries and customs districts. *Reference materials*—U.S. Imports of Merchandise on CD-ROM Technical Documentation (CD-ROM-6) contains descriptive information about the file and a record layout. One free copy accompanies each order. When ordered separately, it is available for \$10 from Customer Services. NOTE—See the "Data Products" and "Ordering Information" sections in the introduction to this chapter for technical information, including software sources for this file. Related printed reports: U.S. International Trade in Goods and Services (FT 900) and FT 900 Supplement, abstract number 504; and U.S. Merchandise Trade: Exports, General Imports, and Imports for Consumption (SITC, Rev. 3, Commodity by Country) (FT 925), abstract number 504.6, for related data. (For export data on a compact disc, see abstract number 507.5.)

These data files are available from Customer Services on 4 3/4 inch discs (CD-ROM's) for the year, the quarter, and the month.

Annual subscriptions (cite CDIM/(Yr.)/AN, when ordering) with 12 monthly discs and a disc for the U.S. Import History and Historical Summary (for 1989 through 1993, at the time of this writing) are available for \$1,200 (foreign orders, \$1,500) per calendar year. A year's subscription is also available by quarter (CDIM/(Yr.)/Q) issued following March, June, September, and December, plus the U.S. Import History, at \$500 (foreign orders, \$625) per year. The following are available at \$150 each (foreign orders, \$187.50): monthly discs (CDIM/(Yr.)/Mo.) and the U.S. Import History (CDIM/(Yr.)/ASM).

New! (530.5)

U.S. General Imports and Imports for Consumption (IM-145)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered—United States, U.S. Customs districts of entry and unloading, and countries of origin.

Subject content—Presents each month data on the net quantity and value of imports for consumption and general imports by 10-digit Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated by country of origin, by Customs district, by rate provision, by type, and by economic class for all methods of transportation combined (c.i.f. import values).

NOTE—The tape file IM-145 covers both general imports and imports for consumption. U.S. General Imports and Imports for Consumption (IA-245), abstract number 540.3, is an annual summary of these data on tape.

Computer printout subscriptions, entitled U.S. General Imports, are available for 1 to 10 Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated commodity numbers for domestic and foreign merchandise for \$150. This cost does not change if fewer than 10 numbers are requested.

(Subscriptions begin the next available month after payment is received and continue for 12 months. Prior data for each month would cost \$25 per unit of 1 to 10 commodity numbers.) The printouts exclude imports for consumption.

Data are available on computer tapes from Foreign Trade Division monthly at 1600 bpi at a yearly subscription of \$4,800 or at 6250 bpi at a yearly subscription of \$2,400.

New! (534)

U.S. Imports for Consumption (IM-146)

Frequency of issue—Monthly. (Printout format.)

Geographic areas covered—United States and countries of origin.

Subject content—Presents data on the net quantity and value of imports for consumption, by Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated, by unit control, by country of origin, and by all methods of transportation combined. The report also shows dutiable value, calculated duty, and average ad valorem rate of duty. Data are provided for the current month and cumulative January-to-date, using Customs import value.

Computer printout subscriptions, entitled U.S. General Imports, are available for 1 to 10 Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated commodity numbers (for domestic and foreign merchandise) for \$150 per year. This cost does not change if fewer than 10 numbers are requested. (Subscriptions begin the next available month after payment is received

and continue for 12 months. Prior data for each month would cost \$25 per unit of 1 to 10 commodity numbers.) The printouts exclude imports for consumption.

Microfiche and paper copies derived from the fiche are available only by special arrangement with Foreign Trade Division and at customer's expense.

(540.3)

U.S. General Imports and Imports for Consumption: Annual 1992 (IA-245)

Data time span—1992.

Geographic areas covered and subject content—Presents the annual summary of U.S. General Imports and Imports for Consumption, which is issued monthly under IM-145.

Annual summaries are available from Foreign Trade Division on computer tapes for \$1,800 at 1600 bpi or \$600 at 6250 bpi. For monthly data, see IM-145 in abstract number 530.5.

New! (541.3)

U.S. Imports for Consumption—HTSUSA Commodity by Country of Origin: Annual 1993 (FT 247-93-A)

Data time span—1993.

Geographic areas covered—United States and countries of origin.

Subject content—Provides data, by the 10-digit Harmonized System, on imports of merchandise into the U.S. Customs territory from foreign countries. Excluded are transactions involving U.S. outlying areas, merchandise shipped through the United States, and merchandise returned by U.S. Armed Forces for their own use. Compiled from official U.S. Customs reports, these data cover country of origin, net quantity, value, and commodity classifications contained in the Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (HTSUSA). Data are presented on imports for consumption, which include entries for immediate consumption and withdrawals from warehouses for consumption. Changes in HTSUSA schedules during the year are included.

GPO Stock No. 003-024-08763-4.

708 pp. 1994. \$40 (foreign orders, \$50.00).

Contact Foreign Trade Division for ordering information. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

U.S. TRADE WITH PUERTO RICO AND U.S. POSSESSIONS

Data products covering trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions are described in the following section. They

are excluded from export and import tables.

U.S. Exports of Merchandise on CD-ROM

See abstract number 507.5.

U.S. Imports of Merchandise on CD-ROM

See abstract number 523.5.

New! (544.3) 

U.S. General Imports of Merchandise From U.S. Possessions (Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands) (IM-195)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered—American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and U.S. Virgin Islands.

Subject content—Presents data for the current month and cumulative year-to-date on HTSUSA commodity, net quantity, customs value, and shipping weight for waterborne and airborne shipments.

Pages and prices vary. Contact Foreign Trade Division for ordering information. Not available on microfiche.

New! (545.3) 

Shipments of Merchandise Between the United States and Puerto Rico and Shipments From the United States to the Virgin Islands (EM-595)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered—United States, U.S. Customs districts of export, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands.

Subject content—Presents data on the net quantity, value, and shipping weight, by Harmonized Schedule B commodity by country of destination, by Customs district of export, and by method of transportation.

NOTE—Annual data appear in series EA-695, abstract number 547.3.

Available monthly on computer tape (1600 or 6250 bpi) at a yearly subscription price of \$2,400 from Foreign Trade Division.

Paper and microfiche for reports are available only by special arrangement with Foreign Trade Division.

(547.3) 

Shipments of Merchandise Between the United States and Puerto Rico and Shipments From the United States to the Virgin Islands: Annual 1992 (EA-695)

Data time span—1992.

Geographic areas covered and subject content—Presents the annual summary of the monthly EM-595, abstract number 545.3.

Data are available on computer tape at 1600 or 6250 bpi for \$200. Contact Foreign Trade Division for ordering information.

Paper and microfiche for reports are available only by special arrangement with Foreign Trade Division.



New! (548.4)  

U.S. Trade With Puerto Rico and U.S. Possessions: Annual 1993 (FT 895-93-A)

Data time span—1993.

Geographic areas covered—United States, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, and U.S. Virgin Islands.

Subject content—Presents data on the net quantity and value of commodities shipped between the United States and Puerto Rico and from the United States to the Virgin Islands in terms of the 10-digit commodity numbers in *Schedule B, Statistical Classification of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported From the United States*.

Data on shipments are shown by all methods of transportation combined, with separate data showing the amount of trade transported by vessel and by air, the methods of transportation by which the bulk of merchandise moves between the United States, Puerto Rico, and U.S. possessions. Data include exports and general imports, but not imports for consumption.

The report also includes data on shipments to the United States from the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa reported in accordance with the classifications in Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (HTSUSA). Separate data are shown for each HTSUSA

number of which the total shipments during the period covered by the statistics are valued at \$1,250 or more.

Commodities shipped to the United States from Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa are reported monthly. Shipments to the United States from other possessions are not reported. These data are not included in export statistics.

GPO Stock No. 003-024-08751-1.

258 pp. 1994. \$16.00 (foreign orders, \$20).

Contact Foreign Trade Division for the latest ordering information. Also available on 3 microfiche from Customer Services.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation, as used here, refers to both waterborne and airborne commerce and listings of vessel entrances and clearances. It often includes data on ports of lading and unlading (that is, loading and unloading goods). (The Transportation chapter in this Catalog/Guide covers various aspects of transportation within the United States.)

(552.3) 

U.S. Waterborne General Imports and Inbound In-transit Shipments: Annual 1992 (TA-380)

Data time span—1992.

Geographic areas covered and subject content—Presents the annual summary of the monthly TM-380, abstract number 553.2.

On computer tape, the TA-380 is available for \$400 at 1600 bpi or \$200 at 6250 bpi. Contact Foreign Trade Division for ordering information.

Paper and microfiche for reports are available only by special arrangement with Foreign Trade Division.

New! (553.2) 

U.S. Waterborne General Imports and Inbound In-transit Shipments (TM-380)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered—United States, U.S. Customs districts and ports of unlading, countries of origin and destination, and foreign ports of lading.

Subject content—Provides data on the shipping weight and Customs value by type of vessel service by Customs district and port of unlading, by foreign port of lading, by SITC, Revision 3, by country of origin. The report presents percentage of containerized cargo. In-transit tables present country of origin detail.

NOTE—Annual data appear in series TA-380, abstract number 552.3.

TM-380 is available from Foreign Trade Division on computer tape for \$2,400 at 1600 bpi or 6250 bpi for the annual subscription to the monthly.

Paper and microfiche for reports are available only by special arrangement with Foreign Trade Division.

New! (553.4)

Monthly Vessel Entrances (TM-385)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered and subject content—Constitutes a monthly listing of vessel entrances issued in two parts. The first part (ALPHA) lists entrances by name of vessel in alphabetical order; the second (DPM), by Customs district, port, and number arrangement in the manifest.

NOTE—For annual listings, see TA-987, abstract number 554.3. See also the companion series TM-785, abstract number 553.7.

On computer tape, the TM-385 is available from Foreign Trade Division monthly in an annual subscription in both the ALPHA and DPM series combined for \$2,400 at 1600 or 6250 bpi. Contact Foreign Trade Division for ordering information.

Paper and microfiche for reports are available only by special arrangement with Foreign Trade Division.

(553.43)

U.S. Waterborne Exports and Outbound In-transit Shipments: Annual 1992 (TA-780)

Data time span—1992.

Geographic areas covered and subject content—Presents the annual summary of the monthly TM-780, abstract number 553.5.

On computer tape, the TA-780 is available as an annual issue for \$400 at 1600 bpi or \$200 at 6250 bpi.

Paper and microfiche for reports are available only by special arrangement with Foreign Trade Division.

New! (553.5)

U.S. Waterborne Exports and Outbound In-transit Shipments (TM-780)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered—United States, U.S. Customs districts and ports of lading, foreign ports or country/areas of unloading, and countries of origin and destination.

Subject content—Provides data on the shipping weight and value by type of vessel service by Customs district and port of lading by foreign port or country/area of unloading by SITC Revision 3 and by country

of destination. The report presents percentage of containerized cargo. In-transit tables present data on country of origin and destination.

NOTE—U.S. Water Exports and Outbound In-transit Shipments (TA-780), abstract number 553.43, is an annual summary of the TM-780 monthly series.

The monthly TM-780 is available by annual subscription from Foreign Trade Division on computer tape for \$2,400.

Paper and microfiche for reports are available only by special arrangement with Foreign Trade Division.

New! (553.7)

Monthly Vessel Clearances (TM-785)

Frequency of issue—Monthly.

Geographic areas covered and subject content—Constitutes a monthly listing of vessel clearances issued in two parts. The first part (ALPHA) lists clearances by name of vessel in alphabetical order; the second (DPM), by Customs district, port, and number arrangement in the manifest.

NOTE—For annual listings, see TA-987, abstract number 554.3. See also the companion series TM-385, abstract 553.4.

Available in an annual subscription to the monthly TM-785 in both the ALPHA and the DPM series combined for \$2,400 on computer tape at 1600 or 6250 bpi. Contact Foreign Trade Division for ordering information.

Paper and microfiche for reports are available only by special arrangement with Foreign Trade Division.

New! (554.1)

U.S. Waterborne Exports and General Imports: Trade Area, District, Port, Type of Service, and U.S. Flag (TM-985)

Frequency of issue—Monthly and annual.

Geographic areas covered—United States, U.S. coastal and Customs districts, ports of lading or unloading, and foreign trade areas.

Subject content—Contains data, by vessel, on the shipping weight and value of U.S. domestic and foreign waterborne exports and outbound in-transit merchandise. Statistics are shown separately for dry cargo and tanker vessels, with additional delineations for U.S. flag, liner, and irregular types of service. Similar data are included for waterborne general imports (Customs value).

An annual summary also is issued.

Annual subscription for monthly data is available from Foreign Trade Division for \$120 (foreign orders, \$150). Single issues only are available for \$10 (foreign orders, \$12.50). Not available on microfiche.

Annual report (TA-985) is sold separately. 1993 edition, \$30. Released in 1994. Not available on microfiche.

(554.3)

Vessel Entrances and Clearances: Annual 1992 (TA-987)

Data time span—1992.

Geographic areas covered and subject content—Constitutes a listing in photocopy format of the number and net registered tonnage of U.S. and foreign flag vessels entered and cleared with cargo and in ballast by Customs district and port.

NOTE—See also the monthly series TM-385 and TM-785, abstract numbers 553.4 and 553.7 for entrances and clearances, respectively.

In photocopy format, available from Foreign Trade Division for \$30 (foreign orders, \$37.50). Not available on microfiche.

CLASSIFICATIONS

Beginning with the January 1988 statistics, a single country classification system, Schedule C, has been used in publishing both export and import commodity by country data. It replaced Schedules C-E (exports) and C-I (imports) and is in alignment with the International Standard, ISO.

Classification series—like the foreign trade data series—have been consolidated. The 1990 classification schedule (abstract number 562.5) includes Schedules B, C, and D. Supplements to the 1990 edition update the information.

For more recent information contact Foreign Trade Division at 301-457-3114. (See also the "Reference Products" section of this chapter. For U.S. classification, see abstract 2.2 in the General and Reference chapter as well as the *Standard Industrial Classification Manual* and its supplements.)

(562.5)

Schedule B—Statistical Classification of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported From the United States: 1990 Edition

Subject content—Provides the 1990 edition of the official schedule of commodity classifications to be used by shippers in reporting export shipments from the United States and by Federal officials in compiling statistics on exports of merchandise from the United States. This export classification system reflects the adoption of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System).

Volume I includes Schedule B numbers and headings along with the commodity descriptions. Volume II presents classifications of country and territory designations for exports (Schedule C) and of U.S. customs districts and ports (Schedule D). It also includes an index with a six-digit guide to Schedule B numbers.

NOTE—The price includes supplemental changes issued irregularly for an indefinite period. See also 562.6.

1,600 pp. (in two volumes). 1989. Cite GPO List ID SCHB F.12. \$77 (foreign orders, \$96.25). Contact Foreign Trade Division for ordering information. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

(562.6)

Changes in Schedule B—Statistical Classification of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported From the United States: 1990 (Public Bulletins B-1, B-2, B-3, and B-4)

Subject content—Similar to the main volume, abstract number 562.5. Bulletin 4 was effective January 1, 1994.

A series of reports, issued free to subscribers of the main volume. Pages vary. Bulletins 2, 3, and 4 are available from Customer Services; Bulletin 1 from Foreign Trade Division. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

New! (562.7)

Schedule C—Classification of Country and Territory Designations for U.S. Foreign Trade Statistics

Subject content—Announces revisions to Schedule C in the form of Public Bulletins for Schedule C and as supplements to the United States Tariff Annotated.

Pages vary. 1989—. Free to subscribers of Schedule B on request.

Contact Foreign Trade Division ordering information. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

New! (562.75)

Schedule D—Classification of Customs Districts and Ports

Subject content—Presents a list of U.S. Customs Districts, the ports included under each district, and the corresponding numeric codes for districts and ports used in compiling the U.S. foreign trade statistics. An alphabetical index to Schedule D showing port, Customs district and port code, and Customs region is also included. This series replaces Schedule D-E and D-I.

Pages vary. 1989—. Free to subscribers of Schedule B on request.

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(562.8)

Schedule K, Classification of Foreign Ports by Geographic Trade Area and Country: 1991

Subject content—Provides the official classification of ports outside the United States and its possessions. Classifications include trade area as well as country.

84 pp. 1991. \$3.

Available from Foreign Trade Division. Also available on microfiche from Customer Services.

New! (565)

U.S. Exports Commodity Classification International Harmonized System (HS-Based Schedule B) (CD-SCHB-94)

Subject content—Provides on a CD-ROM: (a) a data base of export commodity codes and product descriptions, and (b) the search software to help in locating the codes. The 10-digit Schedule B Codes are used to classify and identify export commodities.

NOTE—For export data on compact disc, see abstract number 507.5.

Reference materials—U.S. Export Commodity Classification CD-ROM User's Guide accompanies each order. It also is available free from Customer Services.

One compact disc (CD-ROM). Released 1994. \$10. Order from Customer Services. See Ordering Products section.

REGULATIONS

Regulations relevant to the collection and dissemination of foreign trade statistics are referenced in this section. For United States Export Administration Regulations, 1994, subscriptions are available from GPO for \$88 (foreign orders, \$110). Cite GPO Stock No. 903-020-00000-8 and List ID EAR94 when ordering.

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Foreign Trade Statistics Regulations

Subject content—Provides a compilation of regulations originally published in the Federal Register of March 16, 1963, as modified by all subsequent amendments governing the reporting of statistical information on U.S. trade with foreign countries, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. possessions.

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